

North Andover

Community and Business

NEWSLETTER



SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY MAY 19TH, 2015
TOWN MEETING WILL TAKE
PLACE AT THE NORTH
ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL

NEWS FROM THE SENIOR CENTER

If you know of any lonely, home-bound seniors in North Andover who would like to have a visitor please contact the Senior Center. The visitor would visit for at least one hour a week and call a few times during the week to stay in touch with the senior. We are also looking for volunteers to visit these home-bound seniors. This program helps the seniors stay in touch with the community and also helps our volunteers become acquainted with a senior. Please call the Sandy at 978 688 9560 or email: sflaherty@townofnorthandover.com.

North Andover Merchants Association 2015 Merchant of the Year!

Located in the historic Davis and Furber mill, **Jaime's** offers a delicious variety of sandwiches, burgers, soups and entrees for both lunch and dinner. Indoor as well as outdoor seating is available in addition to takeout and catering options. Call ahead seating too!

Jaime's offers a semi-private dining space complete with flatscreen for slideshow presentations. For more information or to reserve this space, please contact the restaurant at (978) 655-4735.



Boston Bound Commuter Bus — Starting April 6th, commuters will be able to board a Boston bound commuter bus from Osgood Landing at 1600 Osgood Street. The cost will be \$6 per one way cash or \$5 using a Charlie Card. The bus will leave North Andover at 6:45am. All inbound buses will stop at State & Congress Streets, Government Center, Park Street MBTA Station, Tremont & Stuart Streets, the Transportation Building in Park Square, Copley Square and Essex St. & Atlantic Ave.. The outbound bus will leave State St. at 5:10pm, State Transportation Building at 5:20 and Bedford St. at 5:30 returning to Osgood Landing at approximately 6:10pm. If residents miss the Outbound bus at 5:30, commuters can take the 6:00pm commuter bus from Bedford St. to McGovern Transportation Center where a free shuttle will bring them to Osgood Landing. More information can be found about this program on the Town website at www.TownofNorthAndover.com.

THE STEVENS ESTATE Special Event & Conference Center

The Historic Mansion and the stately grounds at the Stevens Estate are an ideal setting for a variety of special events, from formal parties to casual summer outings.

Conferences, Holiday Parties, and Summer Outings Businesses find the Stevens Estate to be the perfect location to host conferences and corporate retreats. The flexible layout, with large and small meeting rooms, overnight accommodations, wireless Internet and varied menus provide companies flexible choices and an excellent value. The Estate's elegantly appointed rooms and historic surroundings guarantee extraordinary parties. The extensive grounds with in-ground pool, bocce and volleyball court, horse-shoes, and hiking trails create a setting for fun-filled outings.

Social Events - Showers and Ceremonies all find the Stevens Estate to be the perfect venue for their celebration. From Fundraisers, to Christenings, to Bat & Bar Mitzvah's, this timeless mansion welcomes all.



Reminders from the Town Clerk's office

Please return your 2015 Census. It is never too late to do so. If you did not receive a census form in the mail, it is available on the Town website. It is important that we have your information on file for public safety, voting, and school registration. If you move from North Andover or change addresses, please let us know.

The 2015 Annual Town Meeting will begin at 7:00PM on Tuesday May 19, 2015 at the North Andover High School Auditorium 430 Osgood Street. The warrant for the meeting listing articles and the Finance Committee Report will be available on the website www.townofnorthandover.com in the middle of April. If you wish to have a copy mailed to you please contact jbradshaw@townofnorthandover.com. Happy Spring!

Knight of Honor

Saturday, April 11, 2015

Sponsored by:
North Andover
Merchants Association



Dinner -
Entertainment -
Silent Auction
\$50.00/ticket

2015

Rising Star Gala

North Andover Country Club
500 Great Pond Road,
North Andover, MA 01845
6pm-10pm

Tables for 8 to 10 can be reserved at ticket purchase
For ticket purchase or for more detailed information, please contact
NorthAndoverMerchants@gmail.com

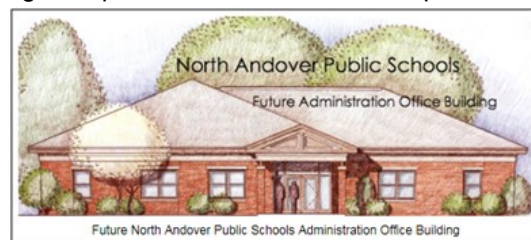
For more information on this event,
please visit
NorthAndoverMerchants@gmail.com.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Usually at this time of year we can say, "Spring is in the air," but it appears that this year it is currently hidden under snow! While the configuration of the storms has caused numerous challenges, the spring season highlights multiple demonstrations of learning to our community. In our schools, two periods of MCAS testing are quickly approaching for grades 3-10. The results provide our district with significant information on how our students have learned, and our students have consistently demonstrated commendable levels of student growth. Although the results aren't received until next fall, there are other indicators that contribute to an impressive display of student learning and achievement. DECA participation and achievement are at record levels, robotics competition is expanding across the district (Did you hear about the New England event hosted at NAHS?), the winter sports season saw impressive levels of accomplishment (for example, girls skiing), and the Fine Arts programs are continuing to demonstrate excellence and excitement in multiple festivals and performances. Student involvement, supported by parent, staff, and community, demonstrates vibrancy in North Andover. Please visit our website, www.northandoverpublicschools.com, for continuous updates and summaries of events.

The School Committee approved a FY16 budget of \$43,612,479, a 3.5% increase over the current year, which is aligned with what the town manager currently projects is a sustainable budget moving forward. Please continue to follow the budget process leading up to Town Meeting by checking both the district and town websites.

After celebrating this past fall a successful completion of the Kittredge School gym, we are looking forward to moving into the new town School Administration Offices across the street from Kittredge during this spring. Again, this move will demonstrate town support of our schools.



The close cooperation and consolidation of services between schools and municipal government continues to contribute to many supportive changes throughout our school community. We welcome your inquiries and thank all those who continually strive to champion improving student learning.

NEWS FROM STEVENS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Spring is officially on its way! This year, while the wintry winds blew, the staff at Stevens Memorial Library spent time lining up an exciting schedule for "Summer at the Stevens," a wide variety of events for all ages. Starting in July, prepare your chair and bug spray for the "3rd Annual Family Movies under the Tent" at the Stevens Estate. If you're looking for something more interactive, watch the Library's website for other summer event news; Wednesday will be special visitors day in the Children's Room, Thursday nights the Adults Review. Two of last year's visitors were author Ted Reinstein, "New England Notebook," and the Graveyard Girls who filled us in on the history of North Andover's cemeteries and their art.

While you're waiting for the last of the snow to melt, stop by the library to participate in some of the ongoing events: story times, book clubs and groups, movies, and technology help.

Join other creative writers in the monthly Writers' Group, where our staff wordsmith facilitates an exchange of inspiration and constructive criticism. For patrons who prefer to express themselves in yarn, our knitters meet at 6:00 pm every Wednesday to share patterns and stitchery advice.

All programs are funded by the Friends and the Trustees of the Stevens Memorial Library. You can support the Friends of the Library and your Library by attending the May and November book sales. Thanks to these dedicated volunteers, all profits from the book sales go to supporting the Library and its mission to bring great programming and information to our community. Remember, the Library schedule changes to summer hours in May. Keep up with Library news the easy way by signing up for the "Library News" alerts by entering your email in the box at the top right corner on the Library website, www.StevensMemLib.org.

NEWS FROM YOUTH AND RECREATION SERVICES

Summer Program Registration: Registration for North Andover Youth & Recreation Services Summer Programs will begin on Monday, April 6th at 9:00am. Registration forms are accepted at the front desk of the Youth Center and online. Visit www.nayouth.com to access registration forms and for details about registering online. NAYRS summer programs include the Summer Fun and Sports & Rec playground programs, along with a variety of trips and activities for middle school and high school students. Summer Fun is a six-week summer day program for all children in grades K through 5. The program is run outdoors and includes an array of activities including sports, games and arts & crafts. All children finishing grades K, 1 & 2 attend Summer Fun at the Atkinson School, and all children finishing grades 3, 4 & 5 attend Summer Fun at Drummond Playground. This is the first year Atkinson Summer Fun is expanding to include children finishing Kindergarten. Sports & Rec is a six-week summer day program for boys

and girls finishing grades 6, 7 & 8 and is held at Reynolds Field.

Summer Shows: NAYRS will again be hosting shows on the Common this summer. Children's Shows are held on the North Andover Town Common on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am over the summer. This fun array of performances includes musicians, clowns, and more! The Summer Concert Series is held on the Town Common on Sunday evenings in the summer at 6:00pm. A schedule of Concerts and Children's Shows will be available on the Youth Center website www.nayouth.com in late spring.

Stevens Pond: Beginning Monday, May 4th Stevens Pond passes and swimming lessons will be available to North Andover residents for purchase at the North Andover Youth Center, 33 Johnson Street, Monday through Friday 9:00-8:00. More information will be available on www.nayouth.com in late April.